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In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all references known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98. The Form PTO-1449 (1 page) and cited references are provided herewith.

The documents listed on the Forms PTO-1449 and supplied herewith are in the English language. Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, as amended effective March 16, 1992, no further explanation of the listed items is necessary.

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the foregoing reference and it be made of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

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